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3. Eleven trucks, 8 van-like motor vehicles and 6 tank trucks were observed in the area of Helenentalhof (estate). The estate was guarded by sentries who wore red-bordered black and black-bordered black epaulets. Seventeen motor vehicles were parked under shedroofs in the area of the installation. Motor vehicles observed at the gate of the estate included trucks [] and [] with drivers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, sedan [] and [] all with drivers wearing black-bordered black epaulets. Thirty-two soldiers wearing black-bordered black epaulets fixed telephone wires to poles in the area of the training ground west of the billets. A lieutenant colonel and 4 majors, all of them wearing black-bordered black epaulets, 6 soldiers wearing black-bordered black epaulets with signal insignia, 3 majors wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, and trucks [] all with drivers wearing black-bordered black epaulets, were observed at the

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